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Monthly Reports

1. There are attached for your information the monthly reports for February received from the various components of ORE.

2. The following appear to have been the problems of greatest concern during February:

a. Collection of Information. For the second month in a row this topic has received the greatest criticism, twelve comments drawing attention to the poor quality or inadequate volume of the reporting, inadequate flow of newspapers, books, etc., to poor service on the part of OCD, or to the lack of adequate control over reporting from the field.

b. Paperwork. Three reports complained of excessive paperwork.

c. Personnel. Four reports draw attention to the bad personnel procurement situation, two mentioning specifically the shortage of clerical help.

d. Office of Operations. Three reports complained of the reporting done by the Office of Operations, although one report mentioned their work favorably.

e. Relations with Army. Three reports mentioned difficulties in maintaining liaison with the Intelligence Division of the Army.

f. Office of Special Operations. The chief difference in the complaints registered this month, as compared to last month, was the absence of comments on ORE relations with the Office of Special Operations.

g. Other. At least six other problems were mentioned by a single report.

3. It does not appear that the causes for last month's complaints have been removed, but it seems probable that points at issue have not been aggravated during February.

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